

Remarks

Although the applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's rejection of the claims, Applicant has amended the claims to rewrite the "objected to" claims (20, 21, 23-30, 54-58, and 74-78) in independent form, incorporating all of the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims or in a form in which they depend from allowable claims. The remaining claims have been canceled without prejudice. Therefore, only allowed claims (69-71) or claims rewritten to be allowable remain in the application. Applicant respectfully requests that the application, as amended, be passed to issue.

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Respectfully submitted,

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